

INDIANA DATA AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

COMMITTEE MEETING

September 4, 2001

The IDACS Committee met on Tuesday, September 4, 2001 at 10:30 a.m., at the Warren Township Library with the following members in attendance:

Major Fred Pryor	Sheriff Tom Debaun
Dennis Eaton	Gerald Gagne
(Proxy for Major Karen Butt)	Don Kottlowski
F/Sgt. Raymond Benn	David Mollenkopf
Deborah Cook	D. Michael Paxton
Mike Dearing	Cindy Snyder
	Harold Williams

Advisory members present: Sergeant John Clawson
Sergeant John Richards

Chairman Fred Pryor called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., with a quorum.

OPENING COMMENTS

Chairman Pryor stated Dennis Eaton will serve as a proxy for Major Karen Butt of the Records Division and with the retirement of Captain Messman, he has temporarily assigned F/Sgt. Ray Benn as a member of the Committee. Ray is in charge of our Computer Support Section and has assumed the responsibilities of Captain Messman in the interim until the Superintendent appoints a new Captain.

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS TO MINUTES OF THE JUNE 5, 2001 MEETING

Gerald Gagne made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting, seconded by Harold Williams. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

MORATORIUM

The recommendation was made by the staff that the moratorium established at the June meeting remain in place. Mike Dearing made a motion that the moratorium remains in place at this time, seconded by Deborah Cook.

Tom Debaun asked if there was a chance the moratorium would be lifted at the December meeting. Chairman Pryor pointed out that until the new system is in place we are going to have problems trying to keep up with the interfaces. The December meeting may look at the possibility of lifting restrictions on line-by-line basis for adding devices, new workstations, and MDD's. We have certain lines that we feel if

MDD's were allowed to be added that it would affect the entire line and cause problems. After a discussion the vote was taken on extending the moratorium. The vote was unanimous.

IDACS 2000 Upgrade

Chairman Pryor introduced Mr. David Smith; he will be the Project Manager for the NCIC 2000 Project. Mr. Smith gave his biography, including being involved in State Police Communications Division for a number of years when the IDACS System was first implemented, and the new Data Center when it was on the first floor. He has returned to State Police as a consultant from the Data Processing Oversight Commission. Mr. Smith knows the vendor fairly well and has had experience with them before in the private sector when he was traveling around the country installing comparable IDACS Message Switching Systems. Mr. Smith explained the contract process and it is currently at the State Budget Agency. Chairman Pryor added when we meet with the vendor after the contract is completed, the interface requirements will be defined. We are still looking at the network and have some fine points to deal with, but the goal is as quickly as possible get to the local agencies what they need for the future system. We are going to maintain the old system and the new in parallel for approximately two (2) years.

NEW BUSINESS

New Agencies/Additional Terminals

After receiving favorable recommendations from the System Security Officers and the System Coordinator, the following new terminal agencies and additional terminals have been approved.
(See the enclosed attachments to the minutes).

Terminal Operators Approved

After receiving favorable recommendation from the System Coordinator, I approved ten (10) IDACS operators with an arrest record. The decision was based on there being no felony convictions.

IDACS Coordinator Report

Mike Dearing brought attention to the handouts on terminals given to the Committee. There is a new section for terminal agencies that have become non-terminal agencies. Some are a natural progression because of a Regional Dispatch Center, however, due to cost of manpower, we will probably have additional agencies becoming non-terminal.

Scott County Regional Dispatch Center has not come on-line yet, so Scott County and Scottsburg PD are still terminal agencies.

The other handout deals with a new unsolicited message from the Indiana State Police Records Division. This message is a result of the Live Scan Fingerprint System that is sent electronically to the IAFIS System for comparison. There are approximately thirty (30) counties that have this or are in process of obtaining it. Mr. Dearing explained the process of how this system works.

Chairman Pryor stated that in the near future we will establish the connectivity between CJIS and our AFIS. Our AFIS and IAFIS interface should be complete hopefully in the next sixty (60) days.

Mike Dearinger asked that at the next Area Meetings remind agencies not to use the S0 codes to send "all stations". Some agencies are starting to do this again and it adds to the overhead on the system and causes some agencies to get the same message several times.

IDACS Security Officer's Reports

Sgt. John Clawson stated he issued one (1) Notice of Violation in the last quarter to the Hancock County Sheriff due to Validation issues.

Sgt. John Richards issued two (2) Notice of Violations to Orange County Sheriff for improper dissemination of Triple I and to the Dubois County Sheriff for Validation problems when they could not produce a record.

AREA REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Area I Harold Williams held a meeting June 19th at Hobart Police Department Annex with twenty-two (22) people in attendance from sixteen (16) agencies. IDACS Trainer, Vivian Nowaczewski and Security Officer, Sgt. John Richards were also in attendance and answered a lot of the questions that were asked covering sixteen (16) different topics. The main concern from the agencies was what the connectivity was going to cost for the new system.

Area II Cindy Snyder reported they had a meeting August 30th, at the Ft. Wayne Operations Center with twenty-seven (27) people present. Sgt. Clawson was the IDACS representative.

Hit confirmations were discussed because agencies are requesting faxed copies of the warrant. Chairman Pryor said an agency satisfied IDACS when they sent a hit confirmation. If that agency chooses to release that person because they didn't have a faxed copy of the warrant, you are outside the realm of IDACS at that point.

Validations for Protective Orders - are they supposed to be receiving them once a month? Mike Dearinger stated they are not supposed to, it is based on the expiration date of the Protective Order.

The "time" on the system slips sometimes for about seven (7) minutes and could cause a problem with a case in court. Dennis Eaton said the entire system has to be shut down to correct the time and they can only do that about once a month, they will see if they can correct it.

There was an inquiry if there is a program called "Gundex" for entries of guns. It is like a Vinassist, you can put in the information and it will tell you everything about a gun. Dennis Eaton stated that ATF has a set of files available through NLETS and several years ago they were developing what Cindy is talking about.

Andre' Clark, the NLETS representative, was not present at the meeting, so they will check with him, but Mr. Eaton knows of several NLETS functions that have not been made available to the current IDACS system that are planned be made available on the new system. If it is easy to do on the new system, we will have it.

Area II held their election and Cindy Snyder was elected as representative again.

Area III Gerald Gagne said Wednesday, September 19th at 10:30 a.m. will be their Fall meeting at Paynetown with hamburgers and hot dogs and covered dish, etc.

Area IV Deborah Cook reported a meeting would be scheduled sometime in October or the first part of November.

Area V David Mollenkopf said they would schedule a meeting in October.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Eaton reported there is a new version of the CJIS Security Policy, it just came out in July, Version 2.0. He will make sure everyone gets copies of it; the only change from the previous one is that you can no longer sell hot file information, which some agencies around the country were doing.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Deborah Cook had a question regarding Mike Dearing's comment on terminal agencies becoming non-terminal agencies. What would happen if you have several agencies decide because of cost they no longer want to be a terminal agency, who sets up the criteria for what agencies those new non-terminal agencies are assigned to be behind. Mike Dearing answered normally they will have them contact a terminal agency and see if they can get an agreement. If all else fails, he would assume it would go to the Post.

Ms. Cook asked, that in that event, budget-wise and staff-wise how would the agency that would be required to run their inquiries, etc. handle that? Chairman Pryor said they look for partnerships to develop and fees could be paid to the terminal agency for an arrangement.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Clay Carter asked about the slow system on line #13. Mr. Eaton requested Mr. Carter to call when that is happening, so they can plug in the scope to check it out. This would need to be during weekday working hours. Meantime, keep a log of when this is occurring and see if a pattern develops at certain days or times.

Another audience question was revisiting the child support issue. On June 24, 1998, President Clinton signed into law that if child support is in arrears greater than \$5,000 it would be a felony offense and why are we not following it. Chairman Pryor said this involves the Department, Superintendent and our Legal Staff saying there are people who can't enforce these Body Attachment Orders. The gentleman asked if we would need to go to the courts or the legislature. The Chairman stated the problem is with the Indiana law. Mr. Eaton asked, again what it is we are trying to change. It was answered, Body Attachments being entered into the system. All law enforcement officers in the State cannot enforce Body Attachments. It was suggested to contact Major Sommer, the Department Attorney, who put together the position paper and discuss this issue directly.

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Eaton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gerald Gagne.

There being no further questions or comments, the Chairman called adjournment to the meeting. Next meeting will be Tuesday, December 4, 2001, (10:30 a.m.) at the ISP Youth Education and Historical Center on East 21st Street.